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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Maeda, et al. Confirmation No.: 9818  
Appl. No.: 09/631,491 Group Art Unit: 1742  
Filed: August 3, 2000 Examiner: Wilkins III, Harry D.  
For: HYDROGEN ABSORBING ALLOY AND NICKEL-METAL  
HYDRIDE RECHARGEABLE BATTERY

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT  
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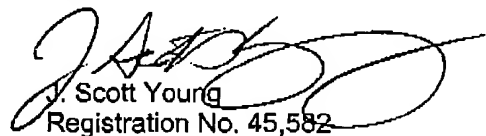
Sir:

Applicant in the above-identified patent application hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated April 1, 2002, rejecting the following Claims 1, 4-7, 12, 16 and 17.

The fee for this Notice of Appeal under 37 CFR § 1.17(b) is enclosed.

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity Status.
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- ☒ A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is enclosed.

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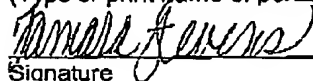
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